

Notice of Privilege motion against Deputy Minister for Health

Sri M. NAGAPPA (Raichur).—I have moved a privilege motion against the Hon. Deputy Minister for public Health regarding his deliberate and untruthful statement made on the floor of this House. In that respect I want to bring to the notice of the House the statement he has made.

Mr. SPEAKER.—It reached me just this morning when I came to the office. I had no time to look into it. I request the Hon. Member to come and meet me tomorrow at 10-30 A.M.

Point of order *re* : Statements made by members outside the House *re* : Business of the House

Sri K. H. PATIL (Hubli).—Sir, on a point of order. I want to know whether a sitting member of this House can make a statement outside the house about the transactions that are going on in this House and especially belittling the status of this House. Sri S. Nijalingappa, a sitting member of this House has made a statement yesterday which has appeared in all papers about the No-Confidence motion coming before the House in such a manner which is not befitting the status of the House. Therefore, either Sri Nijalingappa may be called to explain or the Chair may take suitable action against him. My point is that no member of this House should make a statement outside the House belittling the status of this House or about any transaction that is going on in this House. If he has any reason or rhyme to say so, he can offer his remarks here. He is not at liberty to make a statement outside expressing his whims and fancies.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The point of order raised by the hon. Member Sri K. H. Patil is that Sri Nijalingappa, a Member of this House, is alleged to have said something outside. What exactly the statement was and whether there is anything to support it, have not been put before the House. A point of order under rule 311 relates to the interpretation and enforcement of rules. Therefore, they apply only to the proceedings within the House and not what happens outside. Admittedly it is stated, that the hon. Member of this House Sri S. Nijalingappa said something outside. We do not know what it is. A point of order can arise only in respect of what happens inside the House and not in respect of what happens outside the House. Hence, I rule that there is no point of order.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—Even if it pertains to the business of the House, can anybody comment about it outside the House? As far as business pending before this House is concerned, no member or Minister is competent to comment and criticise and make a statement on a matter which is seized by this House. Therefore, I submit that the hon. Speaker